

# MICRO MARKET FACT SHEET

## What is the definition of a Micro market?

As defined in the 2013 Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code:

- (70) "Micro market" means a retail food establishment that offers the following in displays not more than two hundred and fifty linear feet:
- (a) Prepackaged non-time/temperature controlled for safety food;
  - (b) Prepackaged refrigerated or frozen time/temperature controlled for safety food that is stored in equipment that complies with 3717-1-03.4 (H), 3717-1-04.1 (LL), and 3717-1-04.1 (MM) of the Administrative Code.

## What might a Micro market look like?

Micro markets are typically unmanned stores located in office buildings that offer fresh foods, snacks, and beverages to staff for purchasing via a self-checkout kiosk. As stated in the definition above, the foods sold may be either prepackaged non- TCS food or TCS food; however, the TCS foods must be stored in specialty equipment that prevents their sale if held in a malfunctioning machine due to a power failure or other condition (similar to a health switch on a vending machine).

## Can a Micro market sell cups of coffee?

No. A coffee vending machine can be located nearby for the convenience of consumers.

## Can Micro markets sell fresh, whole intact produce such a bananas or grapes?

Yes. The produce must ready to eat, i.e., washed and pre-packaged for retail sale if necessary.

## Do Micro markets need to have a person in charge?

Chapter 3717-1-02.4(A) exempt's Micro markets from having a person in charge available during hours of operation.

## What is the fee to license a Micro Market?

New micro markets must go through the plan review process and submit a plan review application with a \$200 fee. After going through plan review a sanitarian will come out to the market and inspect and license the market. The cost of the license is \$100 and must be renewed yearly.